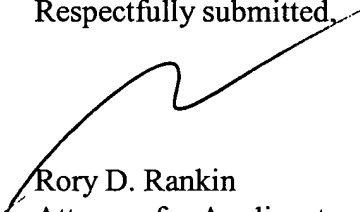


REMARKS

Claims 1 - 27 are pending in the application. Claims 1, 3, 8-10, 13-14, 17-21, 24, and 26-27 have been amended. Claims 1-27 accordingly remain pending in the application.

No fees are believed necessary; however, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees which may be required to Deposit Account No. 501505/5266-04300/RDR.

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